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Who is the Predator???

The secret revealed in Green Lantern!

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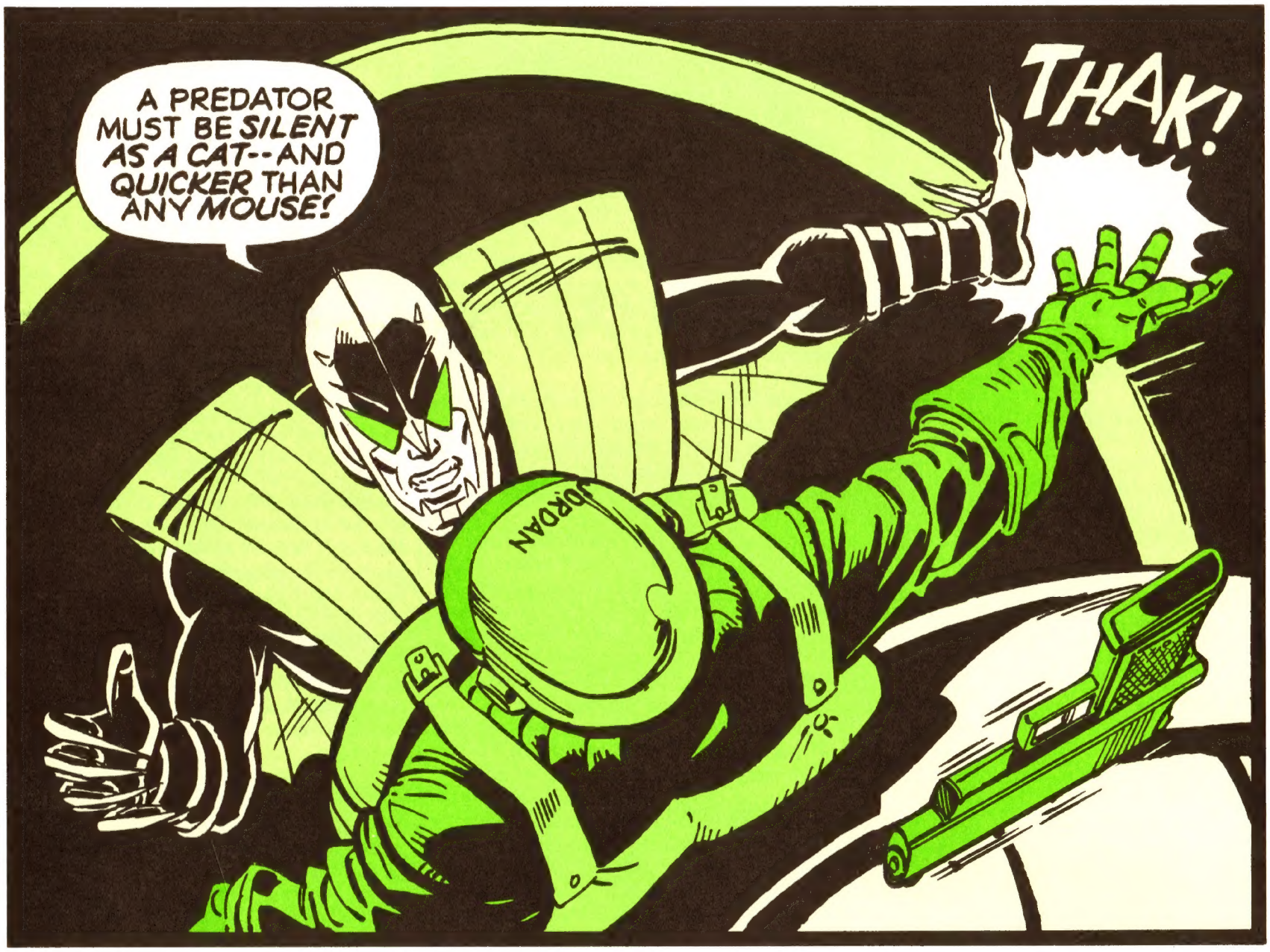

Now, that's a question that's been on the minds of ***Green Lantern*** fans since we first introduced this major villain last year. But even if you've been out of touch with the current adventures of our favorite Emerald Crusader, the last few pages of issue #191 are bound to shock you! The revelation of the Predator's secret identity is only the first in a series of major continuity changes that will sweep across the pages of ***Green Lantern*** in the months to come. It's all part of a plot concocted by writer Steve Englehart—and illustrated by artist Joe Staton—that is destined to shock and thrill fans of one of ***DC's*** most established characters. The sequence of changes and revelations will include a crossover with the smash hit ***Crisis on Infinite Earths,*** and will culminate in a landmark 200th issue. That issue will change forever the readers' conception of Green Lantern!

So, get in at the beginning and pick up a copy of ***Green Lantern #191!***

The Black Mask! A villain to rival the Joker!!!

Immediately after birth, an infant recoils in horror as his first image is that of a masked doctor looming over his crib! Throughout his childhood "masked villains" continue to haunt him until one day he seeks retaliation! When his father is murdered, he carves a black mask from the wood of the coffin and embarks on a path of evil and destruction! But why is Batman first on his death list?!

Writer Doug Moench spins the tale of vicious deeds and deaths as a villain to rival the Joker is born! With art and cover by Tom Mandrake to illustrate every detail of revenge! Find out what set this crazed killer on a murder streak on the streets of Gotham City!

Aug. Listings

April 9th/May 2nd

***DC Comics Presents* #84** —This issue features Superman and the Challengers of the Unknown, written by Bob Rozakis. The Chals help a Kryptonian criminal steal the secret of Superman's powers! Art by Jack Kirby, Alex Toth, and Greg Theakston.

Best of DC Digest* #63** —More insanity from the pages of ***Plop! Showcasing the work of Stephen Skeates, Tatjana Wood, Sergio Aragones, and others.

The Shadow War of the Hawkman* #4** *mini-series*—Tony Isabella ***concludes the exciting mini-series by staging a fight to the death with the Hawks vs. Thanagar. Art by Richard Howell and Alfredo Alcala. Cover by Howell and Dick Giordano.

April 16th/May 9th

***Red Tornado* #2** *mini-series*—The Man of Steel beats Reddy to pieces—and the Construct makes his big move! Written by Kurt Busiek. Art by Carmine Infantino and Frank McLaughlin. Cover by Carmine Infantino and Frank McLaughlin.

***Crisis on Infinite Earths* #5** *maxi-series*—The merged Earths spell disaster for the Legion, Titans, Outsiders, and just about everyone else! Debut of Jerry Ordway as inker with pencils and cover by George Perez.

***Fury of Firestorm* #38**—Will Professor Stein be the Weasel's latest victim? Find out in a story written by Gerry Conway, with art by Rafael Kayanan, Ian Akin, and Brian Garvey. Cover by Kayanan.

Atari Force™* #20—*Last Issue! The Force is on trial and their future is at stake! ***Also:*** "Hukka" by Keith Giffen and Bob Fleming. Script by Mike Baron, with art by Eduardo Barreto and Ricardo Villagran. Cover by Garcia Lopez.

***Tales of the Teen Titans* #56**—The return of Jericho. The secret of Adeline. And the introduction of a never-before-seen villain! Written by Marv Wolfman, with art by Mike De Carlo and Chuck Patton. Cover by Patton.

Warlord Annual* #4**—Morgan and Hawk are marooned on a mysterious island, with the Vashek Assassins in hot pursuit! ***And: At last, the first map of Skartaris! Written by Cary Bates, with art by Pat Broderick and B. Smith.

***Batman* #386**—A major Batman villain, he calls himself Black Mask! You'll call him incredible. Batman and Robin face a new threat to Gotham City. Written by Doug Moench, with art and cover by Tom Mandrake.

***Justice League of America* #241** —Amazo is loose in the Yukon and he wants revenge! Aquaman goes AWOL seeking Mera! With Mike Machlan penciling and George Tuska inking, a new costume is created for Vibe! Cover art by Chuck Patton and Romeo Tanghal. Written by Gerry Conway.

***The Flash* #348** —The jury deliberates Flash's case, while a super-speedster from the future terrorizes Flash's foes. Written by Cary Bates with art by Carmine Infantino and Frank McLaughlin. Cover by Carmine Infantino and Klaus Janson.

***Star Trek* ® #17** —Written by Dave Kellogg, with art by Tom Sutton and Ricardo Villagran. Cover by Villagran. Uhura, Sulu, and Bearclaw go undercover and confront a man from Uhura's past.

***Amethyst* #8**—By Dan Mishkin and Gary Cohn. Pencils by Dan Jurgens, inks by Romeo Tanghal, and a cover by Paris Cullins and Romeo Tanghal. Fire Jade's true identity is revealed, and Citrina's fate is decided! But will Amethyst ever be the same again?

Superman* #410**—When Superman disavows a ***Daily Planet story he wrote as Clark Kent, Clark is fired! Will his closest friends stick by him through the crisis? Written by Cary Bates, with art by Kurt Swan and Al Williamson. Cover by Klaus Janson.

***The Legion of Super-Heroes* #13**—Written by Paul Levitz, with art by Steve Lightle and Larry Mahlstedt. Cover by Lightle and Mahlstedt. Timber Wolf travels to a brutal planet to fulfill Karate Kid's will. *Deluxe format*

***Omega Men* #29**—Written by Todd Klein, with art by Shawn McManus and Steve Mitchell. Cover by McManus. At the nerve center of Wombworld—the truth about the Psions, Part 1. *Deluxe format*

Jemm, Son of Saturn* #12** *maxi-series*—Greg Potter gives us the gripping ***conclusion: Does Jemm find Syrra? Do Luther and Jemm part company? Art by Gene Colan and Bob McLeod. Cover by Gene Colan and Dick Giordano.

***Arak, Son of Thunder* #47**–By Roy and Dann Thomas, with art and cover by Tony DeZuniga. Arak, Valda, and company face magical menace in ancient China!

April 23rd/May 16th

Jonni Thunder, a.k.a. Thunderbolt* #4** *mini-series*—Roy and Dann Thomas give us the ***conclusion of the mini-series with a showdown in the Hollywood Bowl. Art and cover by Dick Giordano.

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Vigilante* #20**—Written by Marv Wolfman and Paul Kupperberg, with art by Tod Smith and Rick Magyar. Cover by Smith and Magyar. Adrian Chase has given up his Vigilante I.D., but the Vigilante still prowls. ***And: Now he's killing people on sight! Guest appearance by Nightwing! *Deluxe format*

***Deadman* #4** *mini-series*—Written by Jack Miller, with art and cover by Neal Adams. The trial of the "Hook" takes an unexpected turn to implicate Deadman's twin brother. *Deluxe reprint*

April 30th/May 23rd

***Swamp Thing* #39**—Second part of the American Gothic. Swamp Thing confronts a hideous water entity that makes "Jaws" seem tame. Will it render him helpless forever?! Incredible art and cover by Bissette and Totleben. Story by Alan Moore.

***Batman and the Outsiders* #24**—A deadly meeting between Metamorpho and his enemy Simon Stagg—father of the woman he loves! Will Stagg end the relationship to protect his daughter? Written by Mike Barr. Cover and art by Alan Davis.

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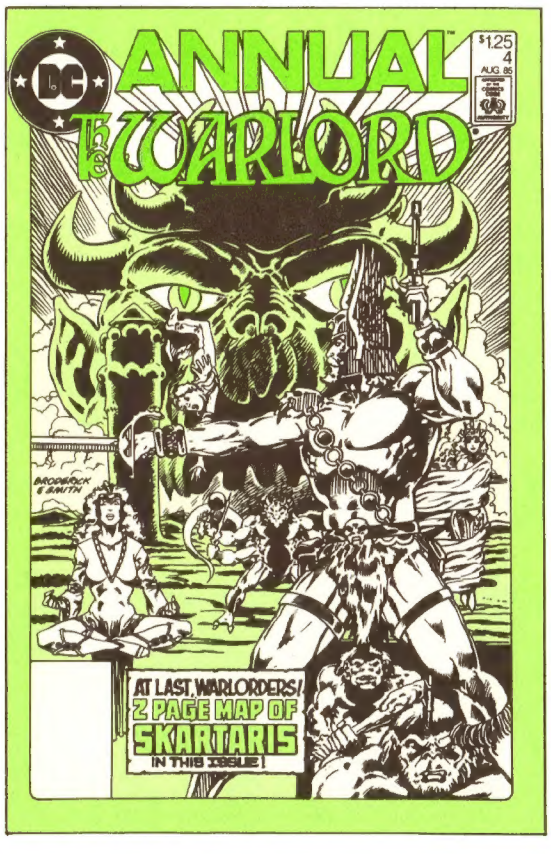


***Green Lantern* #191**—At last! Full-length suspense as the secret identity of the Predator is revealed! Featuring a story by Steve Englehart. Art and cover by Bruce Patterson and Joe Staton.

***Sgt. Rock* #403**—Amidst the holocaust of war, why does evil seek sanctuary in the house of God? Story by Bob Kanigher. Penciled and inked by Frank Redondo, with cover by Joe Kubert.

***Warlord* #96**—The return of Machiste and Mariah! The occult ruler of New Atlantis unleashes his sinister spell! Written by Cary Burkett, with art by Rick Stasi and Bill Collins. Cover by Rich Buckler.

***Blue Devil* #15**—Meet the Vanquisher, courtesy of Jock Verner, no less—move over, Devil! Penned by Gary Cohn and Dan Mishkin. Art by Alan Kupperberg and Rick Magyar. Great cover by Paris Cullins and Gary Martin.

***Who's Who: The Definitive Directory of the DC Universe* #6** *maxi-series*—Everything you've always wanted to know about the D's! Beginning with Dawnstar and continuing with the Doctors—Fate, Midnight, and Polaris. Defined by Len Wein. Art by a who's who of artists. Cover by George Perez and Dick Giordano.

Talent Showcase* #18**—Three extraterrestrial hunters. Their objective: the prized heart of a Skeek. Story by one of DC's premier writers, Alan Rowlands. ***Also: A story by Bruce Jones! Art by Jack Arata and Norm Breyfogle. Cover by Arata and Al Williamson.

***Infinity, Inc.* #17**—Mr. Bones was only the beginning. Now meet the rest of the super-group called Helix! Roy Thomas writes the tale. Art by Todd McFarlane and Tony DeZuniga. Cover by McFarlane and DeZuniga. *Deluxe format*

The New Teen Titans* #11**—The secret of Kole, the newest Teen Titan! Writer Marv Wolfman reveals the origin of her crystal powers! ***Plus: A hint of horrors to come with Brother Blood! Art by Garcia Lopez and Romeo Tanghal. Cover by Eduardo Barreto. *Deluxe format*

May 7th/May 30th

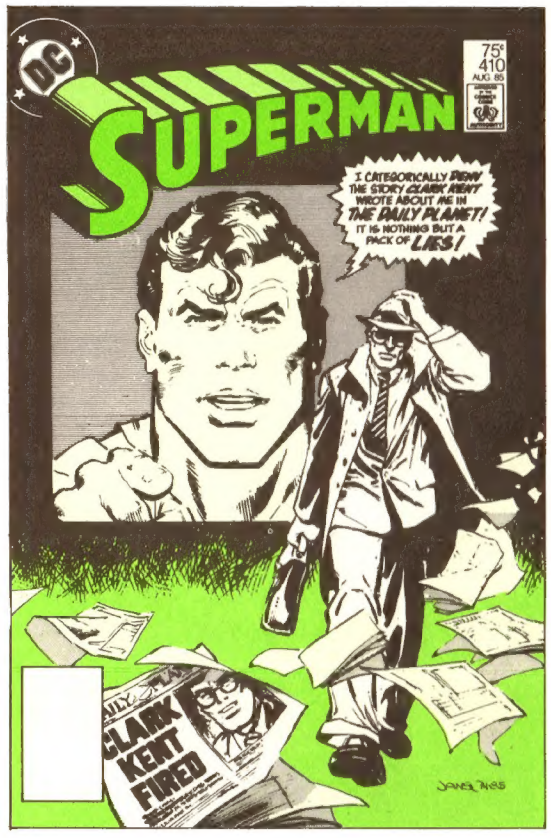
***Tales of the Legion of Super-Heroes* #326**—Part one of a five-part epic! The Legion of Super-Villains are back! Their objective: To kill the Legionnaires one by one! Beginning of deluxe format reprint. Story by Paul Levitz. Art and cover by Keith Giffen and Larry Mahlstedt. *Deluxe reprint*

***Arion, Lord of Atlantis* #34**—The deadly evil of Arion's mother leaves devastating effects as it spreads across the world! Written by Paul Kupperberg. Art and cover by Jan Duursema.

***V*™ #7**—Julie leaves L.A. for a visit home and is stalked by an alien assassin throughout her journey! Story by Mindy Newell. Art by Carmine Infantino and Tony DeZuniga. Cover art by Jerry Bingham.

***Action* #570**—Jimmy Olsen has such a big ego it decides to split away and menace him! Second feature by Boldman and Bender! Written by Paul Kupperberg. Art by Kurt Schaffenberger. Cover by Schaffenberger and Dave Hunt.

***All-Star Squadron* #48**—The Shining Knight is captured—by King Arthur! Guest appearance by The Blackhawks! Story by Roy Thomas. Art and cover by Mike Harris and Vince Colletta.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Detective* #553**—The introduction of Batman's deadliest new foe! What is the shattering secret of the man who calls himself the Black Mask? ***Also: A Green Arrow and Black Canary feature by Cavalieri, Moore, and Patterson! Story by Doug Moench. Art by Klaus Janson. Cover drawn by Ed Hannigan and inked by Janson.

***World's Finest* #318**—Why would anyone want to kill two boys who aren't even old enough to vote? Starring Superman and Batman. Written by Joey Cavalieri, with art by Jose Delbo and Alfredo Alcala. Cover by Jose Delbo and Romeo Tanghal.

Jonah Hex* #92**—In this ***last issue of Jonah Hex, Jonah goes out in a blaze of glory! Watch for ***Hex #1, coming soon!*** Written by Michael Fleisher, with art by Gray Morrow. Cover by Ed Hannigan.

Ambush Bug* #3** *mini-series*—A Bug-eyed view of ***DC's heroes and villains of yesteryear, from Egg Fu to Mopee! Lots of yucks and laughs! Hysterical humor by Keith Giffen and Bob Fleming. Art and cover by Keith Giffen and Bob Oksner.

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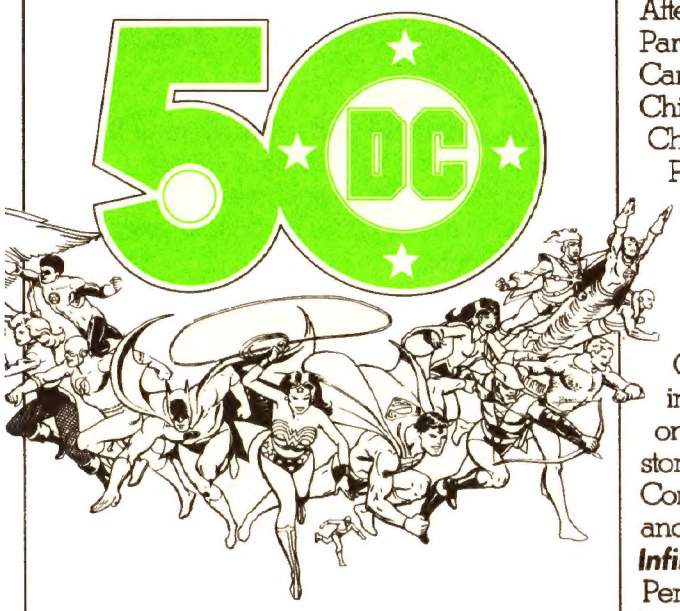

For those **DC** fans who would never go to a party without a personal invite, consider this your personal invitation to ***DC Comics*** *50th Anniversary* party!! And unlike most celebrations, this is a party that will last all year!!

Some of you may have already attended a special 50th Anniversary party at your favorite comic book store. Guests not only got to see the latest **DC** video—featuring interviews and art by over 20 **DC** creators—but they also received free posters, buttons, comics, and prizes, and even had a piece of cake (at Page After Page in Las Vegas it was chocolate)! Parties are now being planned at Comic Carnival in Indianapolis, Amazing Fantasy in Chicago, Heroes Aren't Hard to Find in Charlotte, Golden Apple in Los Angeles, and Pike's Peak Books in Colorado Springs. (If your store would like to host a **DC** party and needs more information, have them call Linda Robak at the Party Hotline (212) 484-2824.)

Our **DC** creators are not only busy writing, inking, penciling, and getting the books out on time, but they've also been appearing in stores across the country. Fans at Comics and Comix met Marv Wolfman in San Francisco and attempted to pry new info on ***Crisis on Infinite Earths*** out of him. In Dallas, George Perez paid a visit to Fantastic Worlds. Look for Tony Isabella, author of ***Hawkman,*** at Comic Carnival and Jack Kirby ***(Hunger Dogs)*** at the Golden Apple in the weeks ahead. Although Alan Moore, infamous writer of ***Swamp Thing,*** lives in England, you can still "meet" him via video. **DC** has produced a 15-minute documentary that is available for showing in comic book stores.

In the meantime, we've planned lots of fun and exciting things for the year. Our new high-quality, full-color **DC** buttons (Vigilante, Batman, Superman, and the Teen Titans) are now on sale. In the next few months you'll also be able to purchase the new **DC** sweatshirts and T-shirts (look for them in the 50th Anniversary video!), with artwork on both front and back. Some of the characters you'll be able to wear include Green Lantern, Wonder Woman, Plastic Man, Vigilante, Superman, the Teen Titans, Blue Devil, Supergirl, and Batman.

Okay, fans, now it's time to announce our next contest ... It's called ***Name This Column!!*** Every month, from now until I get writer's cramp, I'm going to be giving you all the latest news on what's happening here at **DC.** This is where you'll find information regarding **DC** promotions, contests, personal appearances, convention dates, and answers to questions you write to me and ask. So, send in your suggestion for a column name on a *postcard with your name, address, and telephone number. Entries must arrive at* **DC** *no later than April 15th.* The winner will receive a collection of **DC** buttons and one of our new **DC** sweatshirts (your choice of character). The address for entries is: ***Name This Column, c/o DC Comics, 666 5th Ave., New York, New York 10103.*** Good luck!

Talk to you soon!

Linda Robak
Advertising and Sales Manager

DC Trivia...

First I couldn't see the top of my desk. Then I couldn't open the door to my office. Finally, they had to move both my desk *and* my office to the mailroom ... The response to the ***DC Trivia*** contest has been overwhelming!!! The winner of our first contest is ***Michael Penick*** of Evanston, Illinois! Michael correctly answered the following questions:

1. In what issue did we first see the Green Lanterns convene?
Green Lantern #11

2. What is Clark Kent's address?
344 Clinton Street

3. Where did Supergirl first establish her headquarters?
The Arabian Desert

Congratulations! Michael will receive a complete set of ***Ronin,*** autographed especially for him by Frank Miller.

Next month we'll announce the name of the ***DC Trivia Expert*** who correctly answered the following:

1. Name the story, title, issue number, and date that introduced the parallel worlds concept.

2. What is the single weakness of Earth-Two's Green Lantern?

3. Boston Brand—Deadman—has a circus star brother. Can you name him?

Good Luck!

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